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## BRONZE AND STONE BUSTS OF LINCOLN

One of the most inspirational projects which the Lincoln National Life Foundation has had the pleasure of sponsoring the past twenty-two years has been the Boy Scout pilgrimages on Abraham Lincoln's birthday. Each year over 10,000 scouts gather at some statue of Lincoln and participate in appropriate ceremonies. An attendance award in the form of a properly inscribed picture of some selected Lincoln statue is presented to each one present. This year the bronze statue chosen for this honor is Bryant Baker's "Young Lincoln" showing him in a meditative mood.

It has occurred to the sponsors of these pilgrimages that busts of Lincoln which occupy areas open to the public would also serve as proper places to hold these memorial services. The location of these artistic pieces of sculpture would greatly extend the number of points which might be visited. An attempt has been made to prepare a preliminary list of Lincoln busts in bronze or stone, but plaster studies have been omitted although they might be utilized as points of Lincoln interest to be visited. The task of preparing a list of plaster busts of Lincoln and their location would be almost impossible.

The fact that some sculptors have made more than one head or bust of Abraham Lincoln has caused some confusion in identification. In fact Gutzon Borglum created as many as four different studies not including his colossal head at Mt. Rushmore and his well known statue at Newark, New Jersey. His best known head of Lincoln is in marble and occupies a place in the rotunda of the capitol at Washington, but this study has also been cast in bronze and replicas appear in Springfield, Ill., and Berkeley, Calif. This work of art as well as a colossal stone head of entirely different design at Detroit portrays a beardless Lincoln of the earlier years.

The most widely distributed of the Borglum studies was the last one he made which was acquired after his death by the "Committee for Constitutional Government." Several replicas of this bronze Lincoln head with beard, similar to the one in the Lincoln National Bank at Fort Wayne were distributed throughout the country. A very fine bronze of Lincoln was presented by the widow of Gutzon Borglum to Dr. Rumley of LaPorte, Indiana and it is located in the lobby of the Rumley Hotel.

Apparently there has never been any attempt to publish an exhaustive listing of stone and bronze busts and heads of Lincoln that are life size or over. A printed list of heroic statues of Lincoln is available from the foundation and a book entitled *Lincoln in Marble and Bronze* by Bullard and another on *The Statues of Abraham Lincoln* by Durman have been published. It is hoped that the list of stone and bronze busts that follow, utilizing the symbols (B) for bronze and (S) for stone may serve as a basic compilation to which information about other studies may be added.

### Lincoln Busts in Bronze and Stone

Berkeley, Cal., University of Cal. Gutzon Borglum. B  
Boonville, Ind. Court House Lawn. George H. Honig. B  
Chicago, Ill. Exchange Bldg., Union Stock Yards. Paul Fjelde. B  
Chicago, Ill. Lincoln Room, Chi. Univ. Library. John Paulding. B  
Chicago, Ill. Chicago Historical Society. Gutzon Borglum. B  
Chicago, Ill. Chicago Historical Society. Augustus St. Gaudens. B  
Chicago, Ill. Chicago Historical Society. Leonard W. Volk. B  
Chicago, Ill. Union League Club. Augustus St. Gaudens. B

Columbus, Ohio. State House. Thomas D. Jones. S  
Columbus, Ohio. Gallery of Fine Arts. Charles H. Niehaus. B  
Detroit, Mich. Detroit Institute of Arts. Gutzon Borglum. S  
Fort Wayne, Ind. Lincoln Nat. Life Found. H. Muller. B  
Fort Wayne, Ind. Lincoln Nat. Bank. Gutzon Borglum. B  
Gettysburg, Pa. Exedra in Cemetery. Henry K. Bush-Brown. B  
Grand Rapids, Mich. Park, State & Washington Sts., Augustus Weinman. B  
Harrogate, Tenn. Lincoln Memorial University. Alexander Doyle. B  
Harrogate, Tenn. Lincoln Memorial University. Cartaino S. Paolo. B  
Harrogate, Tenn. Lincoln Memorial University. George E. Bissell. B  
Harrogate, Tenn. Lincoln Memorial University. Henry K. Bush-Brown. B  
Havana, Cuba. National Capitol. Gutzon Borglum. B  
Hingham, England. St. Andrews Church. Leonard W. Volk. B  
Jersey City, N. J. Public Library. Semleig. B  
Kansas City, Mo. William Rockhill Nelson Gallery of Art. Paul Manship. B  
La Porte, Ind. Lobby, Rumley Hotel. Gutzon Borglum. B  
London, England. Savoy Hotel. McDougal.  
London, England. The Royal Exchange. Andrew O'Connor. S  
Los Angeles, Cal., Lincoln Park, Julia Braken Wendt. B  
Los Angeles, Cal., Fine Arts Bldg., Merrill Gage.  
Louisville, Ky. J. B. Speed Art Museum. Albert P. Henry. S  
Montpelier, Vermont. State House. Larkin Meade. S  
New Milford, Conn. Park. Paul Morris. B  
New Salem, Ill. State Park. Madeline Masters. S  
New York, N. Y. Republican Club. Max Bachman. B  
New York, N. Y. Hall of Fame, N. Y. Univ., Augustus St. Gaudens. B  
New York, N. Y. College of the City of N. Y. Gutzon Borglum. B  
New York, N. Y. Metropolitan Museum of Art. Leonard W. Volk. B  
New York, N. Y. Metropolitan Museum of Art. Andrew O'Connor. S  
New York, N. Y. Metropolitan Museum of Art. George Grey Barnard. S  
Oslo, Norway. Frogner Park. Paul Fjelde. S  
Paris, France. Luxemburg Museum. George Grey Barnard. S  
Redlands, Cal. Lincoln Shrine. George Grey Barnard. S  
Rushville, Ill. Public Library. Hermon A. MacNeil.  
San Francisco, Cal., Golden Gate Park Museum. F. Bianco. S  
San Francisco, Cal. Fine Arts Palace. George E. Ganiere.  
San Francisco, Cal. Bohemian Club. Haig Patigian. B  
San Marino, Calif. Town Hall. Raymond Barger. B  
San Marino, Cal. Huntington Library. Leonard W. Volk. B  
Harrogate, Tenn. Lincoln Memorial University. A Lincoln Seligman. B  
Springfield, Ill. Oak Ridge Cemetery. Gutzon Borglum. B  
Washington, D. C. Rotunda of Capitol. Gutzon Borglum. S